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MAO Tse-tung

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Courtesy name: Jun-chih

Position: Chairman, Central Executive Committee, Chinese Communist Party; member, Chinese Political Bureau; member, Secretariat; Chairman, Chinese Military Council

CAREER

1893 - *Born*
 1919 Edited the Hsiang Chiang Review, Changsha.
 1921 Joined the Chinese Communist Party, October.
 1923 Member, Central Executive Committee and Political Bureau, Chinese Communist Party.
 1924 Elected reserve member, Central Executive Committee, Kuomintang; Secretary, Organization Department, Shanghai KMT Executive Department.
 1925-1926 Acting Minister of Information, Kwangtung.
 1926 Editor-in-Chief, Politics Weekly magazine, Canton; Director, Central Agricultural Institute.
 1927 Organized the All China Peasants Union; organized Communist peasant uprisings in Hunan, September.
 1928 Political Commissar, 4th Red Army under Chu Teh.
 1931-1937 Chairman of the Chinese Soviet Government, Kiangsi.
 1934-1935 Participated in the Long March.
 1936-date Chairman, Central Executive Committee, Political Bureau, Organization Department, Chinese Communist Party.
 1938-date Chairman, Central Military Council, Chinese Communist Party.
 1942-date Director, Research Bureau, Chinese Communist Party.
 1945-date Secretary-General, Secretariat, Chinese Communist Party.

MAO, who was born in Hunan of a peasant family, received his entire education in China, which is not true of some of the other Communist leaders who were educated in Moscow.

He is the leader of the National Clique, also known as the MAO Clique. As its name implies, this Clique is Nationalist in viewpoint and does not permit too much interference from the USSR, although it has indicated willingness to cooperate to a certain degree. The MAO Clique is opposed in principle to the International Clique, headed by LI Li-san, which advocates close cooperation with the USSR.

MAO is reported to have smooth, unlined features; a youthful figure with a slight stoop; and a boyish, mischievous, completely infectious good humor.

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